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**PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)**

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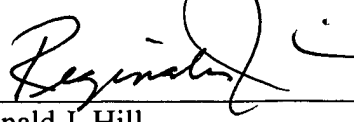
Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action dated November 28, 2005. Please charge Deposit Account No. 10-0460 the extension fee of \$120.00. Please charge any overpayment or credit any refund to Deposit Account No. 10-0460.

The Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to treat any concurrent or future reply, requiring a petition for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 for its timely submission, as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time if not submitted with the reply.

An amendment is being filed simultaneously herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Reginald J. Hill", is written over a horizontal line.

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